

Epicurus: Writings
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1998

There is a principle of movement, the clinamen, there is as well the movement from appearance to objective appearance. This is because the atom is above, and the void is below. This is also in Marx the opposition, base and superstructure. This is the Lacanian fraction, of thing and othing. It means that if there is a void and a determinate presence, there is also a number of determinations of the void. Finally this is Hegel. Nothing other than, itself free and determined something.

It means that in poems, one often recedes a lover and a man. This is the loneliness of a distance. It means, then the encounter.

All of Epicurus is this, void, atom, atoms in falling descending motion and then encounter. I think what I mean is that there is a virtual catastrophe in Epicurus.

2001

Epicurus is about the swerve. It is as if there was a world, and then nothing, and then something, and then a mass of atoms collect, the dark precursor. It is like music that is dark.

2021

Epicurus is solved by Sirohi, the divine mystery, is there God to protect the atoms from falling.

2022

Epicurus is about three things, a man, his catastrophe and a book, with its determinations.